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J. J. BURKE, EDITOR.

Antioch Home News.

Remember the Casino Comedy Co. Percy Chinn was on the sick list a few days last week.

George Huber has been very sick but is now slowly improving.

The latest novelties in wedding stationery at lowest prices at the News office.

Willis Gardiner, Gray's Lake's popular hotel keeper, served on jury here Saturday.

Robert Trieger, of Chicago, paid a short visit to Antioch friends and relatives Saturday.

The News and the Chicago Weekly Journal, to new subscribers for only \$1.50 a year.

Percy Chinn has recovered from his recent illness and started to resume his studies in Evanston Tuesday last.

The revivals at the M. E. church were continued during this week. Thus far they have been crowned with the best success.

Den Wilkes, the great "Micawber" from the Horse Inn, World's Fair, will be with us and appear in each play given by the Casino Comedy Company.

Thomas Barnstable has been sick for a few weeks past. He was attacked by the grippe and has not been able to be up since. He is improving at present writing and if nothing unforeseen occurs will be around again in a few days.

The ice men who last week were wearing broad smiles of satisfaction, have now laid the same away and their faces have assumed a doleful expression. The ice already harvested is not of the best quality and the warm days of last week tend to make matters even worse than before.

Rev. Abel preached a very powerful and eloquent sermon Sunday evening, "The Moral Regeneration of Antioch" being the theme of his discourse. It would be well if many would heed his words merely from a moral standpoint, regardless of religion. The Spafford Quartette, of Millburn, were present and favored the congregation with an anthem, which was pronounced by all as worthy of praise.

The law suit between C. Coon and J. L. Harden, Eugene Harden and F. L. Harden was tried in Justice Burke's court Saturday. The suit was brought by Mr. Coon to recover damages for some straw and hay which he claimed the defendants had used. The case was called at eleven o'clock a. m. and the court immediately adjourned until 1 p. m. At the afternoon session the plaintiff demanded a jury and a venire was issued. The constable had no difficulty in finding six competent men but only two of the first six were retained. The constable then brought four more of Antioch's most intelligent citizens but a majority of these were rejected. The work of examining jurors continued for nearly two hours before both parties were satisfied. The court room was crowded throughout the whole afternoon and not until the jury retired to decide upon a verdict about 5 p. m. did the spectators disperse. The jury, after being out of the court room about an hour, brought in a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, to recover \$2.00 from the defendants.

Charles Ames intended to go to Chicago Saturday but didn't.

Mrs. J. Efinger spent last week in Waukegan, visiting relatives and friends there.

Will Gray's building on Main street is pronounced an improvement to the appearance of the street.

There is still some talk of a musical convention here but definite arrangements have not been made.

Frank Mathews is taking a vacation. He will visit Milwaukee and other places where he has friends and relatives.

The fire in the big slough west of the village Sunday created some excitement, however no damage was done, as the wind was very light.

Miss Jennie Thorne has gone to Burlington. Miss Thorne has been here for more than a year and has made many friends who much regret her departure.

On the night that burglars entered Williams Brothers' store by forcing an entrance through one of the windows, Ben Stone's store door remained unlocked during the entire night.

Lots of fun, singing and dancing in the plays given by the Casino Comedy Co. Do not fail to see the Opera House, January 22, 23 and 24. Get your reserved seats now at Foltz's store.

In the case of Anderson vs. Hanson and Oleson, tried last Thursday, C. C. Morse, of Gray's Lake, represented the defendant and M. S. Miller the plaintiff. The case was decided in favor of the defendant.

Those who expected to hear Rev. Donald McLean at the revivals last week were disappointed. It was impossible for him to be present. Rev. Wirsching, the Lake Villa pastor, assisted Rev. Abel Saturday and Monday evenings.

Ladies will be surprised at the beautiful dresses worn by the lady members of the Casino Comedy Co. in "A Wife's Peril," at the opera house, Monday, January 22. This company present everything first class and should enjoy a large business while in Antioch.

It was announced in the News last week that a meeting would be held in Chinn's hall last Friday evening to organize a debating society. Arrangements were made to organize but when the time for the meeting came only a few of the interested parties put in an appearance. Another effort to organize will be made in the near future.

Lake Villa has, so our correspondent says, a skating club, and are prepared to meet all comers. Some few of them come to Antioch and get their "skates," and are prepared, we should judge, to do figure skating. If Lake Villa's fast skaters will come up, Antioch will try and find some school-boy who will skate ahead and make tracks for them.

The programme for the engagement of the Casino Comedy Co. will be as follows: Monday, January 22, the beautiful society comedy "A Wife's Peril." This night ladies will be admitted free. Tuesday night, January 23, the romantic comedy, "Robert Macaire," and the beautiful little curtain raiser, "A Happy Pair." Wednesday, January 24, the great play, "Lady Audley's Secret."

Call in and see us when in need of Job Printing of any kind.

Mr. Alfred Spafford and his sister Maude and Emma visited relatives and friends in Antioch Sunday.

Don't forget Barlow, Hatch & Co's great offer. A large, neat frame with every dozen cabinet photographs at \$2.50 per dozen. Come while the offer holds good.

"Civil and Religious Liberty" is the subject Rev. M. A. Bruton will speak upon at Wilton's opera house, Friday evening, January 20. Admission to lecture 25 cents. Go and hear him.

Until further notice Barlow Hatch & Co., the photographers, will give an elegant frame with every dozen cabinet photographs at \$2.50 per dozen. Call at the gallery and see them.

We regret to announce the death of Mrs. Thomas Coyne, formerly of Bristol, which sad event occurred at her home in Chicago Saturday last. The News extends sympathy to the bereaved husband and friends.

Lester Shaffner, who for many years conducted a school of acting in San Francisco, New York and Chicago, and is an actor of unusual merit, is the star of the Casino Comedy Co., who will be at the Wilton Opera House three nights, commencing Monday, January 22.

The celebrated Casino Comedy Co. will play three nights at Wilton's Opera House, beginning Monday, January 22. "A Wife's Peril" will be the first play given and on which occasion ladies will be admitted free. Reserved seats on sale at the usual place, where also ladies' free tickets can be secured.

Do not fail to attend the lecture at the Wilton opera house on Friday evening, January 20. Rev. M. A. Bruton, of Rosecrans, will on that occasion deliver a discourse on "Civil and Religious Liberty," which will be interesting and instructive to all. At the close of the lecture the Wilson orchestra will discourse excellent music, so that all who wish to will be given an opportunity to "trip the light fantastic toe" in the merry dance. Tickets of admission to dance and lecture, \$1.00; to lecture only, 25 cents. The proceeds go for the benefit of Bristol Catholic church.

While driving on the ice at Loon Lake Sunday Mr. Esch, of the firm Esch Bros. & Rabe, accompanied by the foreman of the ice house, met with an accident through which the horse they were driving was drowned. Mr. Esch drove out upon the lake to examine the ice and had no suspicion that there was any danger of its breaking. The warm weather had had more effect on the ice than he suspected and when well out upon the lake the horse suddenly went through carrying the buggy with him. The men hardly had time to escape from the vehicle, so suddenly did the ice give way. The horse and buggy went to the bottom.

The north western division of the "Lake County Teachers Reading Circle" met Saturday January 13th, at Antioch. Those present were Miss I. Jamieson, Miss Una Minto, Miss A. Jamieson, Miss Harden, Miss Blair, Mrs. J. M. Wood, Miss Payne, Miss Nellie Glenson, Miss O. Jones, Miss Annie Ames, Miss Nellie Bartlett, Miss Lelia Webb, Mrs. B. Siver, Miss Lottie Haycock, Mr. J. M. Wood, Mr. J. Lane and Mr. H. Ingalls. The next meeting will be held at Antioch February 10th. Program for the meeting, Literature, "Thomas Hughes," Mr. S. Welch, "D. Thompson," Miss I. Jamieson, "Page Theory and Practice," Miss Tina Welch, "Philosophy," J. M. Wood, Bortha Siver, Sec'y, Pro Tem.

Look up the new ad. of the Sherry Lumber Company on another page of this paper.

Mrs. Ben Williams, of Millburn, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Joseph Williams of this village.

Note the improvement in the side walk leading to the depot and then "kick" against the incorporation.

The people of Wauconda, Lake Zurich and Volo have subscribed about \$13,000 to the proposed new line of railroad.

Barrington, Cook Co., is to have a new paper presided over by J. B. Coykendall, brother of the editor of the Wauconda Leader.

The young folks arranged a surprise party in honor of Nellie Elmer last Thursday evening. All who attended report a good time.

During several nights of last week the calaboose was occupied by penniless travelers who preferred sleeping there to staying out all night.

Charles Caine and Charles Hucker, of Fox Lake, were callers at the News office Tuesday on business, Mr. Caine having sold forty acres of his farm to Mr. Hucker.

W. F. Zeigler was called to his home in Michigan on account of the serious illness of his father last Friday morning. L. L. Rinear will have charge of the depot here until Will returns.

A club room, fitted up in good shape, would be a desirable addition to the village and under proper rules and regulations would be a source of good for many who otherwise spend their evenings in less profitable pursuits.

At the last meeting of the directors of the Millburn Mutual Insurance Company, it was decided to carry risks in incorporated villages where buildings are the required distance apart. This will give the people of our village an opportunity to re-insure with the Millburn Mutual.

Nobody objects to a load of hay tipping over, if some one else has to reload it, but anyone who will drive to the highest point of a turnpike and tip a load into the ditch several feet below, not only shows no sympathy for his fellow travelers who are compelled to nearly capsize their vehicles in driving around the wreck, but also show poor judgement, as it places themselves at a disadvantage by being compelled to pitch from the bottom of the ditch.

The members of the Modern Woodman Camp had a very interesting debate at their meeting Monday evening, the subject of debate being: "Resolved that Road Tax should be Paid in Money." After listening to the arguments the judges thought otherwise and decided the question in favor of the negative. At the next meeting the members proposed to hold a mock trial and will doubtless make it interesting for all who attend. The camp now has a membership of forty-seven and is in a healthy, growing condition.

School Report.

Report of Antioch school for month ending January 11. Pupils present each day:

LOWER ROOM,
Eva Gray, Susie Morley, Mattie O'Neil, Iva O'Neil, Ruth Williams, Flora Lightner, Laura Williams, Lillie Watson, Elva Didama, Blanche Wilton, Lottie Barthel, Ruby Drom, John Turner, Olive Tiffany, Ben Winchell, Olga Mantbey, Arthur Lindlock, Fannie Denick, Willie Barthel, Mabel Turner, Charlie Hughes. Average attendance, 42. Mrs. MAUDE WOOD, Teacher.

UPPER ROOM,
Lottie Haycock, Ira Boylan, Lloyd Blisset, Maude Turner, Blanche Haynes, Walter Taylor, Mary Peterson, Joe Calcutt, Glenn Hilsert. Absent one half day: Jay Haycock, Olive Jones, Annie Ames. Average attendance, 31.

J. M. WOOD, Teacher.

CLEARING SALES.

In order to reduce stock as much as possible before invoicing, we will offer many desirable goods at extremely low prices; also many odds and ends, remnants etc., at prices to close them out before February 1st.

This sale will include goods in every line we handle. We have taken a good deal of pains to have this sale as interesting as we can make it, and prices low enough to induce all to buy freely of the many things you can save money on at this time. 10 per-cent discount on Clothing and all odd suits.

Coats, pants and vests will be sold at extreme low prices to close out in a hurry. Ladies' Wraps and Jackets. Misses Cloaks and Jackets and Boys' Overcoats, you can buy for what the material in them is worth, and some for even less.

We have the largest line of remnants we have ever had at one time, and at the lowest prices. If you are ever going to need a fine Shawl, now is the time to buy it. We have marked our Bed Blankets at prices that will induce customers to buy for next Winter. Men's heavy Slippers 50 cents per pair, former price \$1.00 and \$1.25. Childrens Goodyear Overshoes 50c. per pair. A line of Mens red underwear at 35c. a garment. 100 piece decorated dinner sets for \$7.00. This is the cheapest and most desirable offer we ever made in the Crockery line. Everything we have in the Hardware line will be sold very cheap; tinware and all kinds of house-furnishing goods, also a fine line of cutlery—all must be closed out before February 1st. Low prices will do it.

We have bought 25 dozen of the best quality of brooms—four sewed—at less than cost to manufacture; we will sell them at 18c. two for 35c., not more than two to a customer. To those who come early we will have some special good bargains for, so that their friends who see them will come also. Yours For Trade,

C. O. Foltz & Co., Antioch, Ills.

Official.

It is our earnest desire to impress upon the minds of the public the superiority of the service offered by the Wisconsin Central Lines to Milwaukee, Chicago and all points East and South. Two fast trains leave St. Paul Minneapolis and Duluth daily, equipped with Pullman Vestibuled Drawing Room Sleepers, Dining Cars and Coaches of the latest design. Its Dining Car Service is unsurpassed, which accounts to a great degree for the popularity of this line. The Wisconsin Central Lines, in connection with Northern Pacific R. R., is the only line from Pacific Coast points, over which both Pullman Vestibuled, first-class, and Pullman Tourist Cars are operated via St. Paul without change to Chicago.

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The Chicago Inter Ocean is the Greatest Metropolitan Newspaper of the Century.

Chicago newspapers have lately gone into merchandising in connection with their efforts to increase their circulation, to such an extent as to involve them in some difficulty with their large advertisers who object to the low prices and good values offered. The most notable instance of this is the Inter Ocean, which was compelled to discontinue its very popular Book Department for no other reason. It continues its World's Fair Portfolio Department, however, which is delivering about 11,000 per day at present, and has a comprehensive series of "Views of the World," and a book of music called "Harmonized Melodies" on the same plan. They are sold at a certain price provided the purchaser presents a certain number coupons cut from the paper.

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NEIGHBORING NOTES.

Pen Pictures of Passing Events Prepared by Our Correspondents.

To Our Correspondents.

As we go to press Wednesday noon of each week, it is necessary that all communications should reach this office not later than Tuesday evening.

Yours Respectfully,
J. J. BURKE.

Lake Villa.

Mr. George Kennedy, of Hickory, was in town Saturday.

J. H. Hughes is adding a kitchen to the rear of his residence.

Cicero Allen and family, of Wisconsin, spent Sunday in Lake Villa.

R. A. Douglas, of Allenton, Wisconsin, paid Lake Villa a short visit last week.

Mr. A. R. Douglas, of Chicago, visited his daughter Mrs. F. L. Boutwell, recently.

Antioch masons are at work laying the foundation under the residence of George Strang.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stien died Thursday January 11th, and was buried Friday.

The milk-train has discontinued leaving a car at Lake Villa. The cars are loaded from the platform north of the depot as of old.

The Epworth League business meeting will be held Friday evening January 10th. Come whether you are a member of the league or not.

Two bus loads from Lake Villa attended the surprise party at the residence of Charles Humphrey Thursday evening. All present enjoyed the event.

Services Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 12 m. Young peoples meeting at 8:45 p. m. Subject: "Aaron the Faithful." Mabel L. Richards, reader.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas White and son, Master Golden, started Monday for their home in Lyons, Nebraska. Mrs. White has spent several months here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Humphrey, and Mr. White arrived just before the holidays. They will be greatly missed in Lake Villa society.

Young people to the number of about twenty-five gathered at the home of Charles B. Hamlin, Saturday, January 13, 1904, it being his birthday. It was anything but a "solemn occasion," the evening being spent in playing games. Refreshments were served at eleven o'clock and the guests departed just before Sunday.

GRASS LAKE.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Paddock are visiting friends at Hickory.

Mrs. Nettie Frazier and daughter visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Paddock, last week.

B. Yopp and Chas. Herman are among those fortunate enough to have their ice houses filled.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Lux, of Wadsworth, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Selter, over Sunday.

Lina Bell and Nettie Little have had two very sore arms from vaccination, but they are improving now.

Lewis Savage and wife, of Hickory, in company with grand-pa Savage, visited Grass Lake relatives last week.

Judd & Cannon have dug a well for C. B. Little and are now at work on a well for Wm. Ramaker at his hotel.

You can count from ten to twelve men fishing through the ice every day. The past two winters no fishing was done until March.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Paddock accompanied by Geo. Paddock and wife and Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Simons, will start for Florida Monday. Mr. and Mrs. H. Delany, of Chicago will also be members of the party. Mr. Delany owns a tract of land on the sea shore, also a store and steamer there, and will erect a cottage upon

his arrival. The party expects to be gone three or four months, and their many friends wish them a pleasant journey.

George Huber, who has been very sick for the past few weeks with inflammation of the bowels, is a little better at present writing. The Modern Woodmen are assisting his folks in taking care of him.

Gray's Lake.

Remember the convention.

George Cleveland is quite sick.

Miss Nettie Drew visited Chicago last week.

Don't forget the Woodmen's oyster supper.

Rev. Norman Harrison will preach here Sunday.

H. H. Neville was in Chicago on business Monday.

Dr. E. F. Shaffer was a Chicago visitor Monday.

W. B. Higley and C. C. Morse took in Waukegan Monday of this week.

Miss Florence Druse, of Hainesville, made a business trip to Chicago Tuesday.

Miss Louise Rich of Hainesville was a guest of Miss Amy Morse last Sunday.

Miss Olivette Morrill and Miss Maude Seesholtz were guests of Libertyville friends Saturday.

Jno. Battershall, a brother of Geo. Battershall, of Hainesville, is visiting relatives and friends here.

Mrs. Orlando Richardson and daughter Villa, who have been visiting friends in Dixon, Ill., returned home Monday evening.

Harvey and Jeffers have sold the market outfit to Charles Tonie, of Hainesville, who will conduct a meat market here during the coming season. Mr. Tonie has purchased the market building of Thompson Brothers, and will remove to this place with his family.

On Friday evening January 10th, the Gray's Lake camp of Modern Woodmen will give a social and entertainment in Battershall's Hall. Supper will be furnished at the Gray's Lake Hotel. It is expected that Hon. C. T. Heydecker will be present and will deliver an address. Henry Barron will relate something about what he saw at the World's Fair. Miss Carrie Chard and S. M. Spafford have been invited to assist. The entertainment will be free of charge. Supper 35 cents.

All those who enjoy music should not fail to attend the convention at Gray's Lake to commence Monday January 22nd, and closing Friday January 25th, with a grand concert. S. M. Spafford is too well known in musical circles to need an introduction here. All who have attended concerts under his management have been more than pleased with the success, and every effort will be put forth to make this concert one of the best ever given in the county. The best talent from Antioch and Millburn will take part in the concert. Also Miss Davis, of Libertyville, the leading soprano of Lake county will take part. Everybody come Friday evening, Jan. 25. Doors open at 7 p. m. Concert to commence at 8 p. m. Admission 25 cents. Children 15 cents.

Death of Eli Bute.

We take the following extracts from a private letter to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Feltor in regard to the death of Eli Bute, a brother of Mrs. Feltor's and well known to many of our readers:

SAN JOSE, CAL., DEC. 28, 1903.

Dear Uncle and Aunt:

As I am at Uncle Barney's, will write a little to you to tell you of the end. Christmas we have just passed. Uncle Eli and Aunt Sarah reached here the 19th inst. and yesterday we laid him away in the San Jose cemetery. He was not feeling well when he reached here, said he felt such a numb feeling come in both his arms while at Sacramento and after he reached here he complained that it felt as though the numbness was stealing over his whole body. Uncle Barney had him go to a doctor, who told him there was not much to be done, only a little derangement of the stomach so he seemed encouraged and some better and on Christmas morning was just putting on his vest to go to the breakfast table, when he dropped to the floor. Uncle Barney raised him up and he gasped twice and was gone as he held him in his arms. We are quite sure that what he felt was paralysis and the stroke struck his heart, killing him instantly. We did not know they had reached here yet, until we received the dispatch that he was dead.

I don't know when anything has occurred that has made me feel so sad—to think that Uncle Eli should go without a word of warning or our being able to talk to him at all.

It makes me think that indeed we know neither the day nor the hour when we may be called away and we need to see to it that we live in readiness to go at any moment and be sure that our peace is made with God, for it is a terrible thing to be called into eternity unprepared.

ELEEN M. BISHOP.

THEIR BUSINESS THRIVES.

In Spite of the Hard Times the Saloons are Prosperous.—Where does the Money Come From?

Since the hard times settled gloomily over our land, since poverty and want stares many honest men in the face, since business houses of every description have been closing their doors for want of money, since every channel of trade has been effected by the want of confidence, there is one branch of business which stands exempt from all others. Not a single instance can we find mentioned where a retail liquor establishment has been forced to suspend. The business is not only prosperous but is profitable. Is it to be said that men will spend their scant earnings in the saloons with their children at home crying for bread? Is it to be said that after working "half time," men are so foolish as to divide their money between their families and the saloon keeper? In how many cases is this true? In our large manufacturing towns, where poverty presents itself with all its hardships and sufferings, men are wont to drown their sorrows with draughts from the cup filled with the spirit of the devil, with the liquid which causes men to forget their cares, their joys, their loved ones at home and every trait which marks manhood and self respect. We said the little they earned was divided between rum and home. Who gets the first share? Ordinarily rum gets the first share and in many cases the second share also. But this will not support the grog shops as in times of prosperity. They get a larger share of drinking men's wages but that is not equal to what they once received.

Statistics show that they are prosperous as ever. Where does the money come from? Men who have been out of employment for many weeks can be seen under the influence of liquor. The beverage they drink is paid for by some one but who? Statistics show that nearly if not quite as much liquor is manufactured and sold as there was before the panic. If it is sold it is paid for, for this is a cash business.

A STORY OF LONG AGO.

How Fraud and His Associates Came to be on Earth. How Long Will They Remain here?

Away beyond the valley of Peace, where dwell Faith, Hope, Charity, Love, Generosity, in fact where all the good spirits have taken up their abodes, there, far beyond this lies the valley of Evil Spirits. Here between the rugged walls, which rise to a great height, which no one, unless possessed of a devilish instinct, would attempt to scale. The valley itself appears to be barren, only great boulders and sluggish water pools break the monotony of the desert-like expanse. Toward one end of the valley you will notice some tasty habitation built of huge rocks, much resembling caves. There are several of these which present quite a magnificent appearance. The largest and most attractive of these habitations is the home of Fraud.

He has lived for years in this place and has gained for himself an enviable reputation among his fellow men. In fact he is one of the chief men in the valley, highly respected and often consulted on matters of importance by his associates. He is all for self and is ever on the alert to turn against any who take him into their confidence, if by so doing he can make a personal gain. He cannot always be found at home, as he frequently takes long journeys out of the valley, scattering his influence here and there on the earth, causing men to treat their fellows with disrespect, all for private gain; blinding their eyes to the rights and feelings of others in their greediness to satisfy their own

desires. All this is Fraud's work.

Near Fraud's abiding place is that of his brother, Theft. The exterior of the last named gentleman's home is not so attractive as Fraud's. It possesses a more secret or private look. It is seldom that any save his nearest acquaintances gain admittance to his sanctum. He, like his brother, often takes long journeys, but his home is never left alone. His son Dishonesty is always left in charge during Theft's absence, and is usually away when Theft is at home. It is rumored that the interior of Theft's home is decorated in the finest of style. Everything valuable and beautiful he has in some manner obtained. Such is the home of Theft.

In a small, irregularly constructed house, near the two above mentioned, lives one of their dreaded associates, aye, one that is most dreaded by men. His name, Murder, is often heard and whenever spoken outside this valley causes those who hear it to shudder. Unlike his neighbors he cares not for finery, praise or even respect, and his journeys from the valley are made even more secretly than those of Theft, for he being a surly, unapproachable fellow, no one cares where he is or looks after him, therefore he could come and go, even if it were not his nature to be sly, without being noticed by his nearest neighbors.

Two neighbors, Envy and Jealousy, are also residents of this valley and are closely associated with the above mentioned parties. Intemperance also resides in another part of the valley and is considered as one of the friendly circle. Idleness is his nearest neighbor.

So closely connected are these men that where one goes the other is almost sure to follow. Go where he will Intemperance is followed by both Idleness and Theft. The others follow on in their turns. Fraud covers many of Theft's acts from the eye of public opinion. Dishonesty has his part to play in the acts of all the members of the clan. He is a tricky fellow, always to be found when wanted and always on hand where he is not wanted.

One night, when the autumn winds howled dismally through the valley, turning and twisting among the rocks, as if to make known to every living thing that winter was soon to come, there was joy in the valley of Evil Spirits. Not for some years had the inhabitants of the valley been under such a strain of excitement as now. Fraud had arranged a banquet to be given at his home and had invited all his many associates to attend. Fraud was not adverse to giving his neighbors a share of his ever increasing store, but never did he do this unless there was some personal advantage to be gained. He had just returned from a long journey beyond the walls of the valley and in his travels had noticed Panic and Poverty both and he realized that his opportunity had come to strike. He would make known to his fellows how matters stood and encourage them to do more in the battle against Justice and his army. He would have them gather at his own house and talk to them of what he had seen.

They came, all the vices and evils living in the valley gathered at Fraud's and he discoursed to them in loud and boastful accents until each and all were willing to do his bidding. He closed his harangue with "Now is our time to strike. Men are now idle and will listen to our pleadings in hopes that our object may be something good. Let us all be at work. When we meet again let it be in the midst of the fight for the Devil and his cause. Go you out into the world and follow the instructions of your own natures and all will come right." The guests departed in silence to their homes. They deserted the valley that night or the following morning and are now on earth fighting to make demons of men. They are waging the battle with the same vim and vigor as when they first came out of the valley. When they meet again in that valley of Evil Spirits will it be with smiles of success on their faces or with the frown of disappointment?

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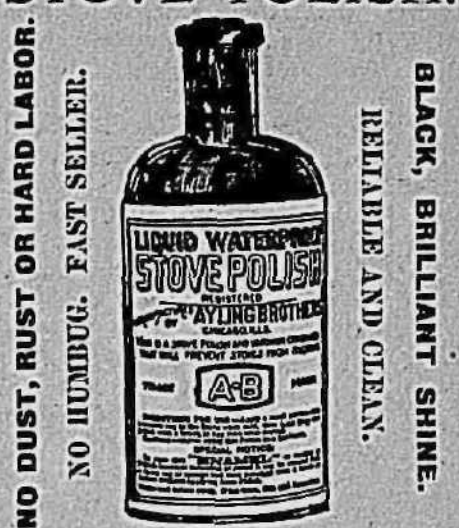
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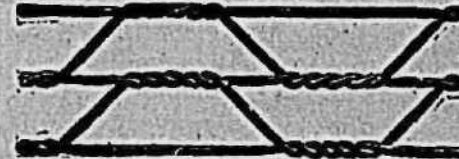
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ANTIOCH, ILLINOIS.



Payment of bounties having been delayed the Louisiana sugar planters are preparing a petition to congress to get their money.

J. B. Hicks, express agent at Marion Ind., was robbed of \$600 by burglars. The money was secreted in many places about the house.

Ex-Banker F. A. Reckenfellow was sentenced at Wilkesbarre, Pa., to twenty-six months' imprisonment and fined \$1,200 for embezzlement.

Burglars blew open the safe of Dr. H. Parkhurst's jewelry store at Danvers, Ill., and took \$1,000 worth of valuables.

The state executive committee of the W. C. T. U. at Bloomington, Ill., ratified the change of headquarters and decided on a new district.

Sam Mather, a farmer and stock raiser of Homer, Ill., while breaking a pair of colts fell beneath them and was kicked so severely that he will probably die.

A Wilkesbarre passenger train collided with a New York freight near Sunbury, Pa. Several freight cars were hurled from the track. Express Messenger John Deitz was hurt.

Detectives are looking for the Franklin Grove bank robbers near Valparaiso, Ind. The nitro-glycerine cans found come from Miller's Station, and it is thought were taken by residents of the vicinity.

The coroner's jury at Decatur, Mich., decided that the death of Eugene Finch was due to unknown persons. Hugh Higgins will be prosecuted on a charge of manslaughter.

Albert Smith, who one year ago last September killed James Starling at Madison, Ind., the grand jury refusing to indict then, as self-defense was alleged, has now been indicted for murder and arrested.

John Danielson of Story City, Iowa, discovered that his barn was on fire. He attempted to save his horses, but was overcome by smoke and perished in the flames. He was a retired commercial traveler.

After over thirty years' suspension pumping at the Karlick lead mines at Dubuque, Iowa, has been resumed.

John Holden threw himself in front of an electric motor car at St. Louis. The car was stopped in time to save his life.

Designer Herreshoff of the Vigilant has received a present of \$2,500 from Morgan and Iselin.

Several men claim to have recognized Chris Evans and Sontag, the California outlaws, at El Paso, Texas, en route to Mexico.

James Clifford Hand was convicted of murder in the first degree at Ann Arbor, Mich. He killed Jay Pulver at Ypsilanti last March.

The Supreme court of Indiana has held the law constitutional that raised the salaries of Circuit and Superior court judges to \$1,500.

John Minnick, superintendent of the Lebanon, Ind., Electric Light company, was killed by the breaking of a rotten telegraph pole on which he was placing a new wire.

The Peninsular Poultry and Pet Stock association at Charlotte, Mich., elected E. G. Mason president, E. B. Hammond vice-president and Frank McKenzle secretary.

James P. Hadley, ex-deputo city treasurer of Denver, has been freed from the charge of embezzlement. Discharges will follow in the cases against Raymond and Bliss.

Lawrence Sullivan, cashier of the National bank of Asheville, N. C., left Dec. 30 with \$6,500 of the bank's money to be deposited at New York. Since then nothing has been heard of him.

Robert Hubbard, a farmer near Princeton, Ky., was assassinated on account of a domestic scandal.

The three officers suspended at Rockford, Ill., because of the death in jail of Mr. Dickinson were exonerated and reinstated.

The trial of John Hart for the murder of his sisters at Rockford, Ill., has been set for Jan. 22.

Water has been turned into the Pecos, N. M., Irrigation canal, covering hundreds of miles.

Charles Oscar Keller, who embezzled \$3,700 from the Chattanooga Brewing company, was sentenced to seven years in prison.

The longest shows beyond doubt that Mrs. Catherine Hawley was killed at Fort Wayne, Ind., by the blows of her son. He is safe in jail.

The woolgrowers of the Pacific coast in convention at San Francisco adopted resolutions condemning the Wilson bill for plucking wool on the free list.

A man supposed to have escaped from an asylum for insane is at large in the woods near Bremen, Ind. He is armed with a club and has successfully resisted all attempts to capture him.

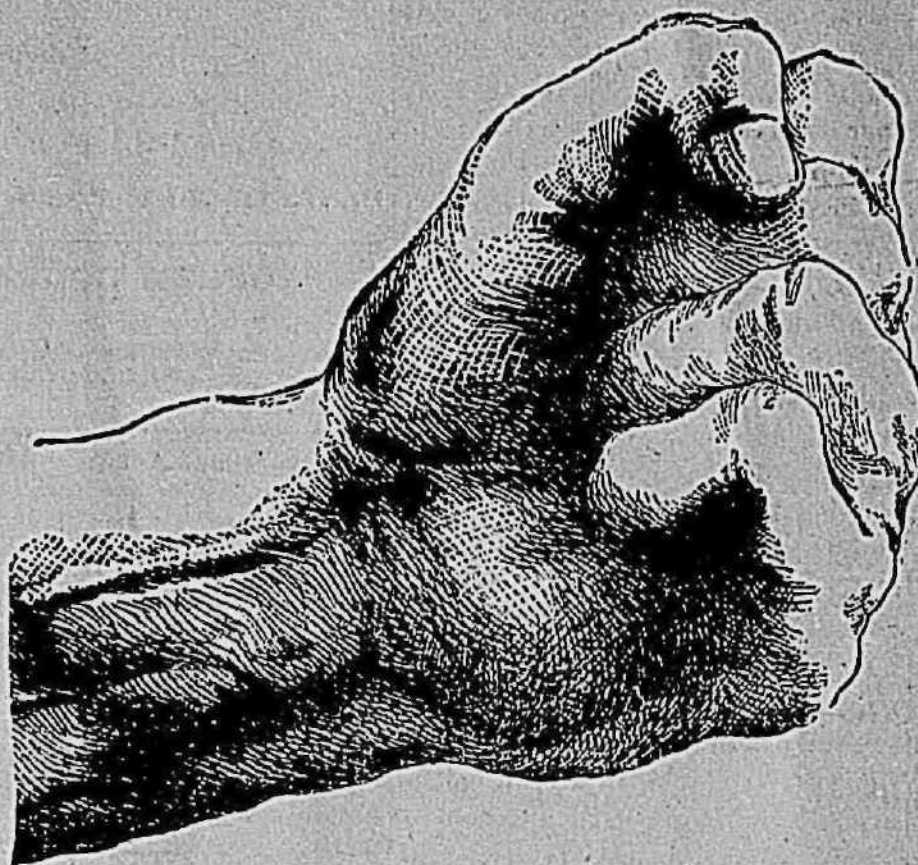
George W. Shanklin was chosen at Evansville, Ind., member of the state democratic central committee. The convention endorsed the Wilson tariff bill, favored an income tax, opposed the issue of bonds, and endorsed the Cleveland administration.

There are now six cases of smallpox at Memphis, Tenn., and a pesthouse will be at once erected.

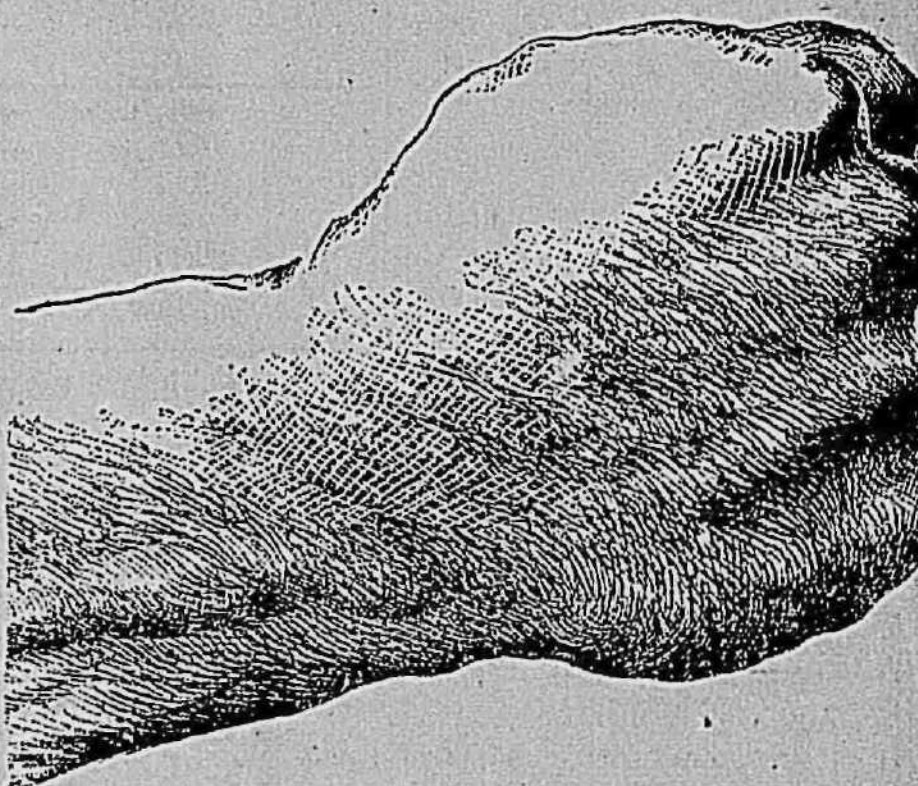
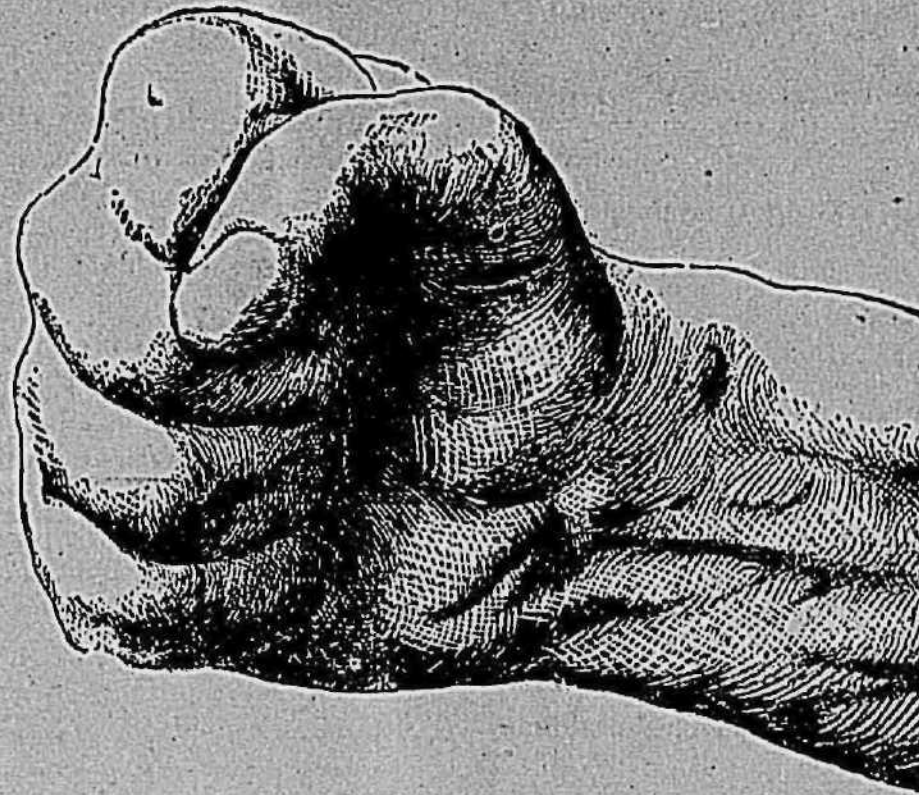
FIST FORTUNES IN THE BRUTAL PRIZE-RING.

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CORBETT'S LEFT.



MITCHELL'S RIGHT.



CORBETT'S RIGHT.



MITCHELL'S LEFT.

D. R. Alton has lost at his stock farm at Vincennes, Ind., in three weeks three horses valued at \$2,000. It is believed they were poisoned.

John Parker and Edward McAfee colored, were returned to Indianapolis from Michigan City to await their new trial for murdering Druggist Eyster. The steamer Gaelic sailed for Hongkong yesterday carrying sixty-two Chinese, captured while attempting to cross the border from Mexico.

The Canadian minister of agriculture denies the existence of tuberculosis in the Province of Quebec, but the ninety days quarantine law will be enforced.

Samuel Deeters, a double murderer, has been removed from the county jail at Waterloo, Ind., to Steuben county, as it was feared a mob would lynch him.

Grp prevails at Vandalla, Ill., in a new form. In many cases it attacks children while at play, rendering them unconscious, in which condition they remain until death.

The state camp of the modern workmen of America convened at Springfield, Ill. The local members gave the delegates a reception in the evening. The next meeting will be held Dec. 27.

John Dorsett, who was to have been hanged at Guthrie, Ok., has been reprieved for sixty days.

The unusually cold weather of the last few days in Southern California has seriously damaged the orange and lemon crops.

An attempt was made to burn the Methodist church at Americus, Kan. Kindling wood had been placed under the floor and was burning when discovered.

Joseph Coreiro de Mello, Bertha Manchester's murderer at Fall River, Mass., pleaded guilty to the charge of manslaughter and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

George F. Smith killed Charles Long at Palmer Lake, Wash.

The Indiana state fair is fixed for the third week in September.

Mrs. Lucy Hughes, insane from grip, jumped into a well at Oskaloosa, Iowa, and was drowned.

Charles Shark, 18 years old, broke through the ice at Quincy, Ill., and was drowned.

Judge Baker of the United States court at Indianapolis, Ind., decided that the \$31,000 put up by Coffin and Stanton of New York as a guarantee of a purchase of refunding bonds should be returned. The purchase was refused on the ground that the city had violated the legality of some of the bonds.

Carter Steps Down. WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—Chairman Carter of the national republican committee presented his resignation yesterday as chairman of the executive committee. That body accepted it and chose Joe Manley of Maine to succeed him. The executive committee did not formally decide that a permanent headquarters should be established. It was left for Mr. Manley, after a full view of the situation, to determine whether that step were advisable and, if he so determined, the executive committee is to be called together again to select the place.

NEWS FROM ABROAD.

GERMAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETS.

Annual Congress Will Open in Berlin To-day—Important Action Expected—British Troops Defeat the Sofas—Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone Go to France.

BERLIN, Jan. 15.—The annual congress of German chambers of commerce will open here to-morrow, and many of the delegates have already arrived. The program for the conference shows that the commercial condition of the empire will be exhaustively discussed and that many changes in the methods of conducting the several chambers themselves will be considered. It is probable that a message of greeting to the annual meeting of the National Board of Trade of the United States, which assembles shortly in Washington, will be adopted.

Monson Has Notoriety Enough. LONDON, Jan. 15.—Alfred John Monson, the principal in the Ardnamont mystery, to-day made an application to the high court of justice for a restraining order against Mme. Tussaud & Sons, limited, the proprietors of the well-known waxworks exhibition here. The proprietors proposed to exhibit an effigy of Monson, who objects to obtaining any further notoriety through the death of Lieut. Hambrough. The hearing was adjourned.

Sofas Are Badly Beaten. LONDON, Jan. 15.—A dispatch from Free Town, Sierra Leone, says that forty men of the frontier police defeated a force of 4,000 Sofas on Dec. 20 at Gaia in Tonkita. The dispatches add that 250 Sofas were killed, including their chief, and 150 of the natives were taken prisoners.

Lighted Bomb in a Madrid Palace. MADRID, Jan. 15.—A bomb with lighted fuse was found last evening on the staircase of the palace of the Marquis de Olivas, by the son-in-law of the Marquis, who crushed out the fire with his foot. There is no clue to the perpetrators of this outrage.

Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone Go to France. LONDON, Jan. 15.—Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone left their Downing street residence this morning en route to Biarritz, France.

Manager Bowden Confident. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Jan. 12.—"I will bet \$1,000," said Manager Bowden of the Duval Athletic club last evening, "that in a week Gov. Mitchell will lay down his hand and announce to the public over his own signature that he will no longer attempt to prevent Corbett and Mitchell from fighting in Florida." Mr. Bowden refused to give the reasons for his confidence, but said he was ready to back the opinion with his money and that time would show that he was correct.

HE KEPT THE LEDGER.

Witnesses Tell of Keating's Conduct of the Savings Bank.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 15.—The trial of John B. Keating, defaulting cashier of the south side savings bank, began in earnest yesterday morning. The first session was taken up with the introduction of testimony regarding the incorporation of the bank and the semi-annual statements made of the condition of the bank from the time of its organization until it suspended. The state expects to show that some of the later statements were doctored and do not show the true condition of the bank. With the opening of the afternoon session things began to get more interesting. The evidence all tended to show that Keating transacted all the affairs of the bank, including the Schlesinger transactions, and that he alone is responsible for its condition. Schlesinger is in Mexico. He owes the bank \$350,000.

CARLISLE TO RESIGN.

Rumor to that Effect Circulating in New York and Washington.

New York, Jan. 13.—A rumor in Wall street to-day was to the effect that Secretary Carlisle would resign.



There was no confirmation of the report obtainable. A telegram from Washington says the report is also circulated there.

Mrs. Lease and the Governor. TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 15.—The Supreme court this morning dissolved the restraining order applied by Mrs. Lease to keep Freeborn, recently appointed by Gov. Lewelling, as her successor, from acting with the board of charities. This allows the latter to be present at the meetings of the board, but does not oust Mrs. Lease. That point is to be settled later.

Seven Men Perished. NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—Seven lives were lost last night in the collapse of the temporary footbridge across Newtown creek, Brooklyn. The bridge was crowded at the time of the collapse and sixty people were precipitated into the icy waters beneath. All got ashore with the exception of seven. It is thought that some of those who were drowned were carried down by those who could not swim. A number of victims were seen to be fighting each other before they disappeared.

THE COUGHLIN TRIAL.

Documents from Noted Irish Leaders May Appear in the Case.

CHICAGO, Jan. 13.—Mrs. Conklin was the first witness on the stand in the Coughlin trial yesterday. She was recalled that Judge Wing might continue his cross-examination. Judge Wing questioned Mrs. Conklin closely, but not in any title did her statement vary from her narrative told to the state's attorney on the previous examination.

Mrs. Conklin's cross-examination was not concluded when the noon adjournment was taken. There was a rumor in the court that the defense was much agitated over the defection of a witness. The story is that a man who was a witness for the defense at the former trial had deserted that side, and would appear on the stand for the state. Neither Mr. Bottom nor Mr. Scanlan would admit knowledge of such a person, and Mr. Donahoe was equally ignorant.

There is no doubt but that the Irish leaders born in this country and abroad will make an effort to clear themselves of all suspicion of having been indirectly the cause of the assassination of Dr. Cronin by intimating their belief that he was a British spy. It is probable that documents will be offered in evidence for the defense, the avowed object being to disprove the state's theory that Cronin was killed because the conspirators had been led to believe that he was a spy. Of course such evidence would not be admitted, but the tender of it would bring the affidavits and depositions of the prominent Irishmen into public view. Having been offered in open court, they would naturally be published in all the newspapers, and this is the real purpose of their existence. But there will be no exposure of land league, Clan-na-Gael or other society secrets.

EXPRESS ROBBERS REPULSED.

Attempt to Hold Up a Train on the Louisville & Nashville. LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 15.—The Adams Express company received information that an attempt had been made to rob the express car of the Knoxville train which left this city last night over the Louisville & Nashville. While the train was at a standstill near Livingston this morning at 3 o'clock a gang of men attacked the express car, but were repulsed by Messenger James Jarvis of this city, who fired several shots. It is not known whether any one was hit. The express car contained a large sum of money.

Grievance Committee at Work.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Jan. 13.—The Northern Pacific train service committee were in session with the officials yesterday morning. The final decision preparatory to submitting the report to the receivers will be arrived at to-day.

Safe-Blowing in Tazewell County.

Bloomington, Ill., Jan. 12.—Burglars blew open the safe in the postoffice last night at Miner, Tazewell county, and secured \$253.

PARTIALLY INDORSE WAITE.

Minority of Colorado Senate Committee Reports in Favor of Legislation.

DENVER, Col., Jan. 13.—The minority report of the special senate committee upon the governor's message was submitted yesterday. The report solemnly demands that in the event of an immediate adjournment the governor be requested to call another extra session to consider the trust deed and attachment law, and to pass laws to reduce the salaries of public officers, from governor to the humblest county officer, to correspond to the reduced prices of real estate wages and commodities.

In the house a vote was taken to consider the matter of an immediate adjournment, resulting in a vote of 30 yeas and 20 nays. A two-thirds vote was required. The Killon resolution against Governor Waite's legal tender scheme came up for consideration. It declares the proposition as inexpedient, unwise, visionary, vicious and unconstitutional. The house finally passed the Killon resolution by a vote of 44 to 18.

THE NATIONAL TREASURY.

Statement of the Assets and Demand Liabilities Yesterday.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—The statement of the United States treasury showing the classified assets of the treasury and demand liabilities yesterday is as follows:

ASSETS.	
Gold coin and bullion.....	\$151,441,403
Silver dollars and bullion.....	339,236,650
Silver dollars and bullion, act. July 14, 1890.....	163,116,225
Fractional silver and minor coin.....	18,123,377
United States notes.....	45,046,326
United States treasury notes.....	2,476,070
Gold certificates.....	164,420
Silver certificates.....	7,066,058
National bank notes.....	14,026,735
Deposits with national depositories.....	

General account.....	11,302,413
Disbursing officers' balances.....	4,108,440
Total.....	\$738,157,168

LIABILITIES.

Gold certificates.....	\$77,487,769
Silver certificates.....	333,212,604
United States Treasury notes.....	133,114,151
Currency certificates.....	40,815,000
Disbursing officers' balances, agency accounts, etc.....	40,000,350

WON BY SPRINGFIELD.

That City Captures the Permanent Location of the Illinois State Fair.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 13.—Springfield wins the permanent location of the state fair. Its site, within two miles of the center of the city, not only met fully all the requirements of the state board of agriculture, but contained about fifty acres more than the specifications called for. Springfield's competitors were at disadvantage in offering several acres, most of which were considerably more valuable from the business center of the respective cities than the one offered by Springfield. Another consideration counted substantially in Springfield's favor was the fact that its proposal was the only one which was accompanied by a deed for the property offered.

Mitchell's Bank Resumes Monday.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 13.—The city officials have signed the agreement for the Mitchell bank resumption upon the terms which was accepted by the council for the payment of the city's claim some weeks ago and there is now no longer a doubt that the bank will reopen Monday.

MARKET REPORTS.

CHICAGO.

CATTLE—Common to Prime.....	5 25 @ 6 00
HOGS—Shipping grade.....	5 00 @ 5 40
SHEEP—Fair to choice.....	1 25 @ 2 00
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	60 1/2 @ 61
CORN—No. 2.....	34 1/2 @ 34 3/4
RYE—No. 2.....	57 1/2 @ 57 3/4
BUTTER—Choice creamery.....	48 1/2 @ 49 1/2
EGGS—Fresh.....	18 @ 18 1/2
POTATOES—Per bushel.....	50 @ 55

PEORIA.

RYE—No. 2.....	47 @ 48 1/2
CORN—No. 2 White.....	32 1/2 @ 33 1/2
OATS—No. 2 White.....	28 1/2 @ 29 1/2

ST. LOUIS.

CATTLE.....	2 60 @ 4 20
HOGS.....	5 20 @ 5 35
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	57 1/2 @ 57 3/4
CORN—No. 2.....	34 1/2 @ 34 3/4
OATS—No. 2.....	27 @ 27 1/2

CINCINNATI.

WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	58 @ 59
CORN—No. 2 Mixed.....	36 @ 36
OATS—No. 2 Mixed.....	32 @ 32
RYE—No. 2.....	48 @ 48
BAILEY.....	60 @ 60

BUFFALO.

WHEAT—No. 1 Hard, Spring.....	71 1/2 @ 74 1/2
CORN—No. 2 Yellow.....	42 @ 43 1/2
OATS—No. 2 White.....	34 @ 31
RYE—No. 2.....	61 @ 62

MILWAUKEE.

WHEAT.....	59 @ 59
CORN—No. 3.....	34 @ 31
OATS—No. 2 White.....	32 @ 32
BAILEY—No. 2.....	49 1/2 @ 49 1/2
RYE.....	48 @ 48 1/2
PORK—New Mess.....	13 20 @ 13 42

DETROIT.

WHEAT.....	61 @ 61
CORN.....	36 1/2 @ 36 3/4
OATS.....	32 @ 32 1/2

KANSAS CITY.

CATTLE.....	1 65 @ 5 25
HOGS.....	5 25 @ 5 35
SHEEP.....	1 00 @ 4 25
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	60 1/2 @ 60 3/4
CORN—No. 2 Yellow.....	46 @ 46
OATS—No. 2 White.....	27 @ 31

NEW YORK.

WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	65 1/2 @ 65 3/4
CORN—No. 2.....	41 1/2 @ 42
OATS—White Western.....	34 1/2 @ 35
BUTTER—Choice.....	18 @ 25 1/2

GOVERNOR MITCHELL STILL DETERMINED.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Jan. 11.—The governor, in spite of the club's talk about bringing pressure to bear on him, is showing no signs of letting up in his opposition to the fight. He is warning the sheriffs of every county in which it has been rumored that the club would attempt to bring Corbett and Mitchell together to be on the alert to prevent the contest, and if unable to prevent it with the forces at their disposal to call on him for assistance.

WOMAN AND HOME.

NOTES AND COMMENT FOR FIRESIDE READING.

Mirror of Current Fashions and House Decorations—A Pretty Japanese Corner—Games for Evening—Glimpses of Ultra-Fashionable Life.

An Ultra-Fashionable Coat.

THE ULTRA-FASHIONABLE coat is nothing if not conspicuous. One of the late novelties is a three-quarter-length garment made of mirror silk velvet. In coloring it is ecru, which shows in certain lights a pale green.

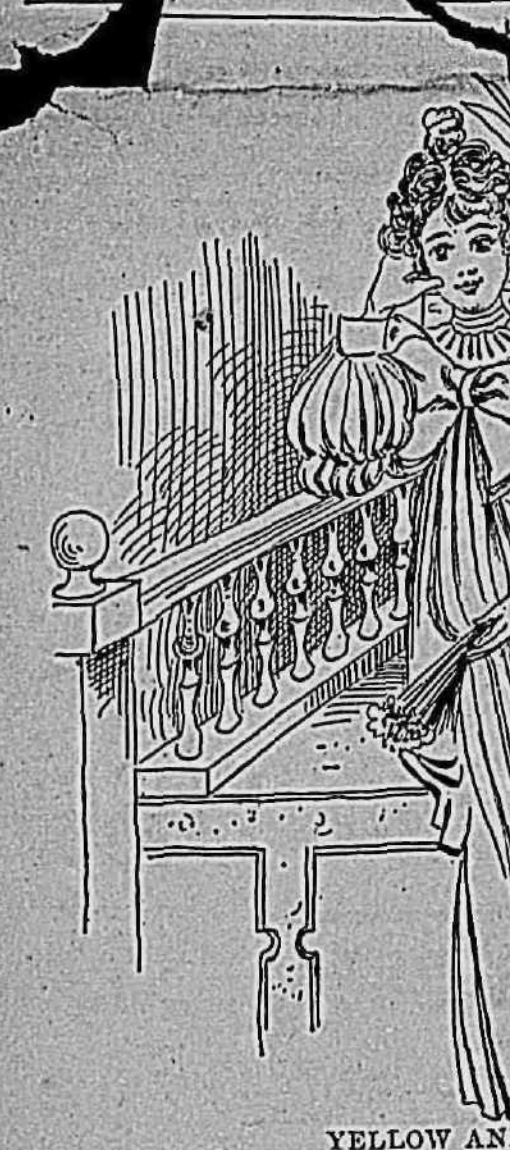
This coat is made with a bertha of black astrakhan, which falls over the huge puffed sleeves in Vandyke



RATHER CONSPICUOUS.

points. The high rolling collar is also made of astrakhan. From the direct back of the coat hangs a broad ornament of glittering gilt and jet. The girdle about the waist is of jet, brightened with gilt. The skirt of the coat has a decided flare, which suggests crinoline, but the fullness is caused by the very green silk lining.

In yellow and green. Presumably a woman wishes to look her best every day. But since a



YELLOW AND GREEN GOWN.

cruel destiny and blundering dress-makers deny that, nine women out of ten prefer to look their best in their own dens, surrounded by their own pet china and pouring the tea, which their admirers declare no one can make as they do.

A gown which ought to help any woman in a laudable effort to make a picture of herself at her tea table was seen uptown the other day, says a New York fashion writer. It was made of primrose yellow crepon in the empire style. There was a yoke of the tender color of green that belongs with primrose yellow, and from the side seams just beneath the big puffed sleeves, broad green ribbons were drawn. These were tied in a big bow at the base of the yoke, and beneath it the gown hung loose in front. In the back there was a Watteau plait beneath the yoke.

American Beauty Roses.

There is an unwritten code in the giving of flowers which directs that it is better in the eyes of a New York up-to-date girl to receive a single perfect long stemmed rose from the smartest shop in town than a whole roomful of ordinary posies sent in from an unknown florist. The present fashion in the wearing of flowers restricts them to a single large and fragrant American Beauty rose or a bunch of violets. The chrysanthemum has had its day and is going out of season now, but the rage for violets increases, and the fickle fancy of woman is true to the modest little purple flower all the year around. She tucks them in the belt

of her summer gown or pins them on her sealskin coat, and at one of the recent swell balls a belle had a gown all trimmed with violets, which looked very pretty until the flowers began to fade. And following the same idea it is accounted more desirable to present a lady with two or three long-stemmed "selected" roses for the tall, straight vase in her room than with a profusion of common flowers. Sometimes the vase accompanies the roses, and a very pretty gift it makes, and one which conventionality winks at, even between people not really entitled to give or receive valuable presents. If any one flower were selected as the prime favorite this year, the American beauty would carry off the palm by a large majority, because its vivid and rich coloring accords happily with the season's tints, and indeed matches one of the most worn shades used in decoration. —N. Y. Sun.

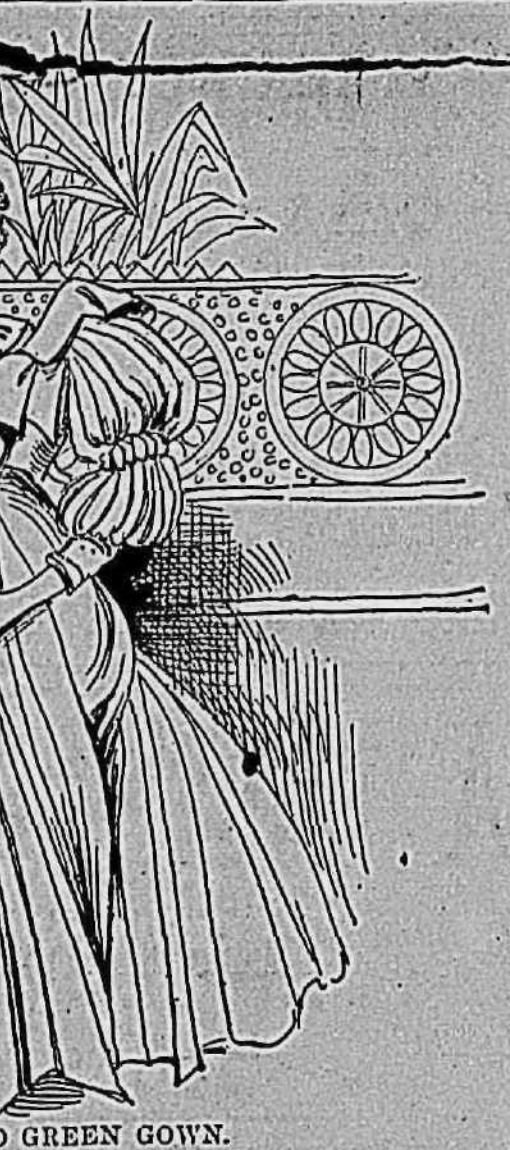
Is the American Child Spoiled?

A Boston paper has been getting together several opinions from persons supposedly informed in the matter upon the question, "Is the American Child Spoiled?" They are especially interesting, because every contributor to the symposium, in one way or another, attests his idea that the children of to-day are having too much done for them. Very many persons share and often express a similar opinion. Said an old man, speaking on this matter very lately: "Children are taking the journey of life these days just as they are taking their railway journeys—in Pullman cars. Every luxury of education is provided for them, every dose of learning has the bad taste taken out, or is compressed into tablets that can be swallowed at a gulp. And the process isn't going to make the sturdiest kind of men and women, in my opinion."

A Japanese Corner.

The woman with ideas is expending many of them just now on the decoration of her 5 o'clock tea corner. Japanese, Marie Antoinette and Turkish corners are highly in vogue. Every little detail in their decoration is carried out minutely.

The Japanese tea corner, which is perhaps the most artistic, also makes the most comfortable den. The floor should be covered with a matting in Japanese design, over which rugs of oriental coloring are thrown. Growing palms and rubber plants in big yellow bowls should aid in the decoration. Have the first work of black and gilt and let the draperies be of brilliant colored Japanese crepe. There must be an abundance of Japanese fans and a bamboo table and desk. The 5 o'clock tea table should stand beneath a bamboo cabinet, which would look well ornamented with bits of palms



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and artistically arranged cups and vases in Japanese ware. Have a low, broad couch banked with pillows all



THE CORNER COMPLETE.

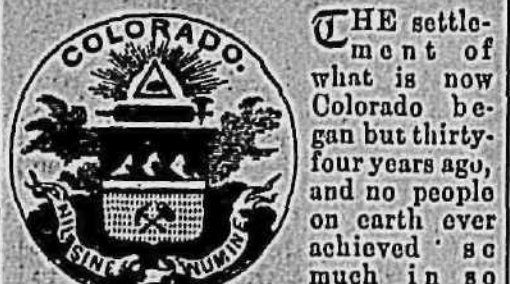
covered with gay designs of Japanese silk. Of course, there must be a big wrought iron lamp with a shade of scarlet crepe. Ornament the walls in any way your fancy dictates. To complete it all have a Japanese gown yourself, and wear it when you serve tea. The tea corner is also the proper setting for the Japanese doll, now so popular. —New York Exchange.

COLORADO LETTER.

THE CENTENNIAL STATE IS STILL IN THE RING.

The Astonishing Development of Its Gold Resources.—Unlooked for Prosperity in All Lines of Industry.

Denver, Correspondence.



THE settlement of what is now Colorado began but thirty-four years ago, and no people on earth ever achieved so much in so short a time.

None possess such an empire of wealth and grandeur; none, such possibilities. No other state offers such an inviting field to both capital and population.

The climatic conditions of Colorado are known to the world as being nearly perfect. Hundreds of springs, both hot and cold, famous for their medicinal properties, are in various portions of the state, and the grandeur of the mountain scenery is known the world over. Twenty-one railroad lines afford the people of Colorado easy and rapid communication with all parts of the United States and enable Denver to command a larger trade territory than any other city in the union.

The energy and industry of the silver miner, by recent national legislation temporarily deprived of employment, did not falter or rust, but was immediately turned into the search for gold, and with the richest reward. Hundreds, yes thousands of gold claims were discovered and the output of the yellow metal was doubled almost at one bound, and there can be no doubt that, so far as the people of Colorado are concerned, the depression in silver will cause no more than a ripple in the current of their prosperity. The further fact may be mentioned that an ounce of silver will purchase the same amount of the necessities of life as when it was worth \$1.29 per ounce, the price of staple commodities having declined in sympathy with silver.

The camp of Cripple Creek, alone, three years ago contained but one family, with not a neighbor nearer than twenty miles. The camp now contains nearly 12,000 people, and it is predicted that one year hence both population and product will be trebled. The Colorado Midland has just completed a branch line within nine miles of the camp, and work is now progressing on the construction of a railroad from Florence, a station on the Denver & Rio Grande Railway in to this thriving camp, which will be completed May 1, 1894.

Then there is Gilpin county, with its record of a hundred millions of gold since 1860, now producing more than ever before. In this county, the smallest in area in the state, hundreds of new gold claims are being developed, and there are more than twenty other counties that are producers of gold. New gold camps are springing up with wonderful rapidity all over the state. Within a few months, Goose Creek, in the Gunnison country, Crooked Creek, near Buena Vista, La Plata, near Durango, and Hartsell are drawing to their localities much capital and population, while the recent and astonishing output of gold at Leadville has already placed that city in the front rank of producers of the yellow metal. The total output of gold for 1894, it is believed, must reach twenty millions of dollars and will annually increase thereafter.

The greatly increased purchasing power of gold has naturally stimulated the effort for its discovery and production on the part of many heretofore engaged in silver mining.

The population of Colorado in 1890 was 412,000. If each man, woman and child in Colorado should be given twenty acres of the coal land of the state, the area remaining would equal in extent the states of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

In this vast coal field all kinds are found, from soft bituminous to anthracite, a great deal being the best quality of coking coal. It would seem that Colorado would have no reason to complain if her coal fields were her chief reliance, but they are not.

More than two million acres of the most fertile land in the world is under irrigation and being successfully cultivated; in other words, live acres to each inhabitant. The annual value of agricultural, fruit and dairy products is sixty millions of dollars.

The assessed valuation of the property of the state is two hundred and thirty-six million dollars; the real value, seven hundred million dollars, as shown by the report of the auditor of state, which is seventeen hundred dollars for each inhabitant. The state debt is only two million dollars, or less than five dollars per capita. The product of gold, silver, lead and copper of Colorado for the year 1893 was \$90,218,837.

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Austria is worth \$1,000,000,000. Russia is valued at \$5,000,000,000. The bank capital of France is \$208,000,000.

The bank capital of Great Britain is \$210,000,000. The property of Germany is assessed at \$6,500,000,000.

All the property of Italy is assessed at \$3,000,000,000. France is worth, all property considered, \$8,000,000,000.

Over 41 per cent of all the property in the German empire is mortgaged. The annual increase of wealth in the United States is over \$35 per inhabitant.

In Great Britain the mortgages average 68 per cent of the value of real estate. The average value of cultivated land in Germany is \$105 per acre; in France, \$105.

The assessed valuation of the property and wealth of Great Britain is \$2,000,000,000. The annual value of hardware manufactured in the world is estimated at \$2,815,000,000.

The assessed valuation of Prussia is \$3,425,000,000; of the whole empire, \$5,081,000,000. The people of the United States have over \$350,000,000 invested in church property.

The banking capital of the United States is estimated at \$3,150,000,000, the greatest in the world. Canada, Belgium, Holland and Sweden are all assessed at about the same figure—\$1,000,000,000.

The assessed valuation of the United States, according to Mulhall, is \$13,000,000,000, or \$65,000,000,000. The value of the railroads in the United States is greater than the combined railroad valuation of Great Britain, France and Germany.

Mulhall estimates that the land in the United States is worth \$12,500,000,000; the cattle, \$5,500,000,000; the houses, \$14,300,000,000; the furniture, etc., \$7,200,000,000; the railroads, \$10,000,000,000; the shipping, \$300,000,000; the total wealth per inhabitant, \$1,050.

DAME NATURE.

The blue ceamothus came from Venezuela in 1818. The verberna is a native of Venezuela, taken to Europe in 1827.

The petunia emigrated from Venezuela to Europe in about 1823. The peacock throne of Shah Jehan was valued at \$30,000,000, his crown at \$12,500,000, and when he died \$250,000,000 of gems were found in his treasury.

The topaz took its name from a Greek word meaning glass, since the ancients could only guess at the locality whence this beautiful stone was obtained.

The diamond is believed to be of recent geological formation and a microscopic examination often discloses in its substance minute plants and vegetable fibers.

Garnets are brought from Bohemia, Ceylon, Peru and Brazil. The most common color is a shade of red, but brown, yellow, green and even black varieties are known. Pure stones are never larger than a hazel nut.

An eagle measuring six feet eight inches from tip to tip of its wings was captured by a dog near Seio, Oregon, recently. The eagle was eating a wanderer it had killed when the dog stole up and pounced upon it. An exciting struggle ensued, in which the dog was much hurt by the eagle's sharp beak and talons, but it ended in the death of the bird.

Lawson Tait, the well-known English surgeon, says that the sugar in certain fruits becomes changed into alcohol during the process of decay, and that wasps sometimes get very drunk thereon. On grapes and certain plums, he says, "you will see them get very drunk, crawl away in a semi-nomadic condition and repose in the grass for some time until they get over the 'bout,' and then they will go at it again."

LOOK PLEASANT, PLEASE.

Ada—Why does Clara speak of George as her intended? Are they engaged? Alice—No; but she intends they shall be.

"What's your congressman doing in Washington?" "He's a-drawin' of his salary." "Nothing else?" "Yes; he's a-blowin' of it in."

"All cold snaps," said Uncle Allen Sparks, looking in a contemplative mood at his thermometer, "are alike in kind. They differ only in degree."

"Say, mamma," said Harry, "how is it that when you feed a dog on animal flesh he gets fleshy; and when you feed him on bones, he doesn't get bony?"

MEN AND WOMEN.

Baby ribbon is much affected by silly bridesmaids. Candel chrysanthemums are the latest in confection novelties.

The devil trembles when a bad man begins to think about his good mother. The names of 300 women undertakers in this country are given in a trade paper.

At 20 the will reigns; at 30, the wit; at 40, the judgment; afterward, proportion of character.

To beat the whites of eggs quickly, put in a pinch of salt. The cooler the eggs the quicker they will froth. Salt cools and freshens them.

It is a noticeable fact that the melancholy individual who says he doesn't care whether he lives or dies always wears a chest protector and gum shoes.

TRAGEDY AND COMEDY.

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So many convicts escape from the South Carolina authorities that the state has taken to publishing a cloth bound volume containing descriptions of them.

The superstitious peasants of Great Britain believe that a white pigeon alighting on a chimney or flying against a window betokens a speedy death in the house.

The Salem, Mass., police arrested a man and woman a few days ago for intoxication. Examination showed that the former had become drunk from drinking Jamaica ginger, while the latter had indulged too freely in essence of peppermint.

At Uniontown, Pa., James Fordyce charges McCullough Marker and Samuel Nelson with confronting him with a revolver and compelling him to hand over a number of letters, written by Miss Mell Magle, who was going to marry Fordyce, but changed her mind and wanted her letters back.

Several months ago Rose Picknowski and her husband opened a boarding house for Hungarians and Russians at Erie, Pa. The boarders made their landlady their banker. Two months ago she went away and took with her \$450 belonging to the boarders. She has been caught at Philadelphia.

In the islands of the Indian ocean a genus of luminous fungi known as pleurotus, furnishes a species which is so abundant and in which the phosphorescence is so enduring that the native women use it for personal adornment in the hair and dress. It is said that the glow will continue occasionally for twenty-four hours.

A man in Hildeford, Me., who was buying groceries at the city's expense, made a terrible mistake the other day. Instead of the store account book which he thought he was handing to the cashier to have the entries recorded, he passed out his bank book, showing quite a large deposit to his credit. The grocer promptly notified the overseers of the poor.

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IN THE EARLY DAYS.

The great first children journeyed through
The country's lonely den,
With all their sheep and little ones,
Their cattle and their men;

And kept themselves in tribes apart
For awe of the great plains;
And learned the length of days and nights,
Of summers and of rains;

And saw no other men through all
The blue horizons wide,
Save their own kind who came to birth,
And marched and sang and died;

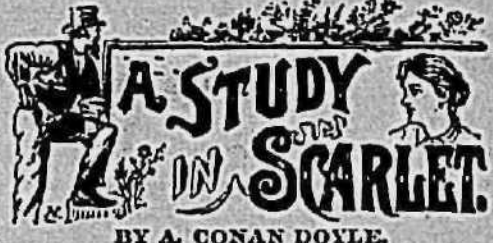
And left the mark of plucked tents,
Of footprints in the dew,
And tracks of beaten, billowed grass,
Their flocks had pastured through.

And sometimes on a mountain top
They stood among their spears,
And gazed across an unknown sea
Into the unknown years;

And sometimes o'er a silent plain,
As endless as the sky,
A child from lands unknown would come
And meet them eye to eye;

And they would gaze and love and speak
And rest awhile; and then
Each journeyed past with all his sheep,
His cattle and his men.

—Alice A. Sewall, in Harper's Magazine.



CHAPTER III.—CONTINUED.

Gregson had a stretcher and four men at hand. At his call they entered the room, and the stranger was lifted and carried out. As they raised him, a ring tinkled down and rolled across the floor. Lestrade grabbed it up and stared at it with mystified eyes.

"There's been a woman here," he cried. "It's a woman's wedding-ring." He held it out, as he spoke, upon the palm of his hand. We all gathered round him and gazed at it. There could be no doubt that that circle of plain gold had once adorned the finger of a bride.

"This complicates matters," said Gregson. "Heaven knows, they were complicated enough before."

"You're sure it doesn't simplify them?" observed Holmes. "There's nothing to be learned by staring at it. What did you find in his pockets?"

"We have it all here," said Gregson, pointing to a litter of objects upon one of the bottom steps of the stairs. "A gold watch, No. 97,163, by Bureau, of London. Gold Albert chain, very heavy and solid. Gold ring, with massive device. Gold pin—bulldog's head, with rubies as eyes. Russian leather card-case, with carols of Enoch J. Drebber, of Cleveland, corresponding with the E. J. D. upon the linen. No purse, but loose money to the extent of seven pounds thirteen. Pocket edition of Boccaccio's 'Decamerone,' with name of Joseph Stangerson upon the fly-leaf. Two letters—one addressed to E. J. Drebber and one to Joseph Stangerson."

"At what address?"

"American Exchange, Strand—to be left till called for. They are both from



the Gulton Steamship company, and refer to the sailing of their boats from Liverpool. It is clear that this unfortunate man was about to return to New York."

"Have you made any inquiries as to this man Stangerson?"

"I did it at once, sir," said Gregson. "I have had advertisements sent to all the newspapers, and one of my men has gone to the American Exchange, but he has not returned yet."

"Have you sent to Cleveland?"

"We telegraphed this morning."

"How did you word your inquiries?"

"We simply detailed the circumstances, and said that we should be glad of any information which could help us."

"You did not ask for particulars on any point which appeared to you to be crucial?"

"I asked about Stangerson."

"Nothing else? Is there no circumstance on which this whole case appears to hinge? Will you not telegraph again?"

"I have said all I have to say," said Gregson, in an offended voice.

Sherlock Holmes chuckled to himself, and appeared to be about to make some remark, when Lestrade, who had been in the front room while we were holding this conversation in the hall, reappeared upon the scene, rubbing his hands in a pompous and self-satisfied manner.

"Mr. Gregson," he said, "I have just made a discovery of the highest importance, and one which would have been overlooked had I not made a careful examination of the walls."

The little man's eyes sparkled as he spoke, and he was evidently in a state of suppressed exultation at having scored a point against his colleague.

"Come here," he said, bustling back into the room, the atmosphere of which felt cleaner since the removal of its ghastly inmate. "Now stand there!"

He struck a match on his boot and held it up against the wall.

"Look at that!" he said, triumphant.

I have remarked that the paper had fallen away in these parts. In this

particular corner of the room a large piece had peeled off, leaving a yellow square of coarse plastering. Across this bare space there was scrawled in blood-red letters a single word:

"RACHEL."

"What do you think of that?" cried the detective, with the air of a showman exhibiting his show. "This was overlooked because it was in the darkest corner of the room, and no one thought of looking there. The murderer has written it with his or her own blood. See this smear where it has trickled down the wall! That disposes of the idea of suicide, anyhow. Why was that corner chosen to write it on? I will tell you. See that candle on the mantel piece. It was lit at the time, and if it was lit this corner would be the brightest instead of the darkest portion of the wall."

"And what does it mean, now that you have found it?" asked Gregson, in a deprecatory voice.

"Mean? Why, it means that the writer was going to put the female name Rachel, but was disturbed before he or she had time to finish. You mark my words, when this case comes to be cleared up you will find that a woman named Rachel has something to do with it. It's all very well for you to laugh, Mr. Sherlock Holmes. You may be very smart and clever, but the old hound is best, when all is said and done."

"I really beg your pardon!" said my companion, who had ruffled the little man's temper by bursting into an explosion of laughter. "You certainly have the credit of being the first of us to find this out, and, as you say, it bears every mark of having been written by the other participant in last night's mystery. I have not had time to examine this room yet, but with your permission I shall do so now."

As he spoke he whipped a tape measure and a large, round magnifying glass from his pocket. With these two instruments he trotted noiselessly about the room, sometimes stopping, occasionally kneeling, and once lying flat on his face. So engrossed was he with his occupation that he appeared to have forgotten our presence, for he chattered away to himself under his breath the whole time, keeping up a running fire of exclamations, groans, whistles, and little cries suggestive of encouragement and hope. As I watched him I was irresistibly reminded of a purblind, well-trained fox-hound as it dashes backward and forward through the covert, whining in its eagerness until it comes across the lost scent. For twenty minutes or more he continued his researches, measuring with the most exact care the distance between marks which were entirely invisible to me, and occasionally applying his tape to the walls in an equally incomprehensible manner. In one place he gathered very carefully a little pile of gray dust from the floor and packed it away in an envelope. Finally he examined with his glass the words upon the wall, going over every letter of it with the most minute exactness. This done, he appeared to be satisfied, for he replaced the tape and glass in his pocket.

"They say that genius is an infinite capacity for taking pains," he remarked with a smile. "It's a very bad definition, but it does apply to detective work."

Gregson and Lestrade had watched the maneuvers of their amateur companion with considerable curiosity and some contempt. They evidently failed to appreciate the fact, which I had begun to realize, that Sherlock Holmes' smallest actions were all directed toward some definite and practical end.

"What do you think of it?" they both asked.

"It would be robbing you of the credit of the case if I was to presume to help you," remarked my friend. "You are doing so well now that it would be a pity for anyone to interfere." There was a world of sarcasm in his voice, as he spoke. "If you will let me know how your investigations go," he continued, "I shall be happy to give you any help I can. In the meantime, I should like to speak to the constable who found the body. Can you give me his name and address?"

Lestrade glanced at his note-book. "John Rance," he said. "He is off duty now. You will find him at 46 Audley court, Kennington park gate."

Holmes took a note of the address.

"Come along, doctor," he said; "we shall go and look him up. I'll tell you one thing which may help you in the case," he continued, turning to the two detectives. "There has been murder done, and the murderer was a man. He was more than six feet high, was in the prime of life, had small feet for his height, wore coarse, square-toed boots and smoked a Trichinopoly cigar. He came here with his victim in a four-wheeled cab, which was drawn by a horse with three old shoes and one new one on his off fore-leg. In all probability the murderer had a florid face, and the finger-nails of his right hand were remarkably long. These are only a few indications, but they may assist you."

Lestrade and Gregson glanced at each other with an incredulous smile.

"If this man was murdered, how was it done?" asked the former.

"Poison," said Sherlock Holmes, curtly, and strode off. "One other thing, Lestrade," he added, turning round at the door. "Rache is the German for 'revenge,' so don't lose your time looking for Miss Rachel."

With which Parthian shot he walked away, leaving the two rivals open-mouthed behind him.

CHAPTER IV.

WHAT JOHN RANCE HAD TO TELL.

It was one o'clock when we left No. 3 Lauriston gardens. Sherlock Holmes led me to the nearest telegraph office, whence he dispatched a long telegram. He then hailed a cab, and ordered the driver to take us to the address given us by Lestrade.

"There is nothing like first-hand evidence," he remarked; "as a matter of fact, my mind is entirely made up

upon the case, but still we may as well learn all that is to be learned."

"You amaze me, Holmes," said I. "Surely you are not as sure as you pretend to be of all those particulars which you gave?"

"There's no room for a mistake," he answered. "The very first thing which I observed on arriving there was that a cab had made two runs with its wheels close to the curb. Now, up to last night, we have had no rain for a week, so that those wheels, which left such a deep impression, must have been there during the night. There were the marks of the horse's hoofs, too, the outline of one of which was far more clearly cut than that of the other three, showing that that was a new shoe. Since the cab was there after the rain began, and was not there at any time during the morning—I have Gregson's word for that—it follows that it must have been there during the night, and, therefore, that it brought those two individuals to the house."

"That seems simple enough," said I; "but how about the other man's height?"

"Why, the height of a man, in nine cases out of ten, can be told from the length of his stride. It is a simple calculation enough though there is no use my boring you with figures. I had this fellow's stride, both on the clay outside and on the dust within. Then I had a way of checking my calculation. When a man writes on a wall, his instinct leads him to write about the level of his own eyes. Now, that writing was just over six feet from the ground. It was child's play."

"And his age?" I asked.

"Well, if a man can stride four and a half feet without the smallest effort, he can't be quite in the sere and yellow. That was the breadth of a puddle on the garden walk which he had evidently walked across. Patent-leather boots had gone round and Square-toes had hopped over. There is no mystery about it at all. I am simply applying to ordinary life a few of those precepts of observation and deduction which I advocated in that article. Is there anything else that puzzles you?"

"The finger-nails and the Trichinopoly," I suggested.

"The writing on the wall was done with a man's forefinger dipped in blood. My glass allowed me to observe that the plaster was slightly scratched in doing it, which would not have been the case if the man's nail had been trimmed. I gathered up some scattered ash from the floor. It was dark in color and flaky—such an ash as is only made by a Trichinopoly. I have made a special study of cigar ashes—in fact, I have written a monograph upon the subject. I flatter myself that I can distinguish at a glance the ash of any known brand either of cigar or of tobacco. It is just in such details that the skilled detective differs from the Gregson and Lestrade type."

"And the florid face?" I asked.

"Ah, that was a more daring shot, though I have no doubt that I was right. You must not ask me that at the present state of the affair."

I passed my hand over my brow. "My head is in a whirl," I remarked; "the more one thinks of it the more mysterious it grows. How came these two men—if there were two men—into an empty house? What has become of the cabman who drove them? How could one man compel another to take poison? Where did the blood come from? What was the object of the murderer, since robbery had no part in it? How came the woman's ring there? Above all, why should the second man write up the German word 'Rache' before decamping? I confess that I cannot see any possible way of reconciling all these facts."

"My companion smiled approvingly. "You sum up the difficulties of the situation succinctly and well," he said. "There is much that is still obscure, though I have quite made up my mind on the main facts. As to poor Lestrade's discovery it was simply a blind intended to put the police upon a wrong track, by suggesting socialism and secret societies. It was not done by a German. The A, if you noticed, was printed somewhat after the German fashion. Now a real German invariably prints in the Latin character, so that we may safely say that this was not written by one, but by a clumsy imitator, who overdid his part. It was simply a ruse to divert inquiry into a wrong channel. I'm not going to tell you much more of the case, doctor. You know a conjurer gets no credit when once he has explained his trick, and if I show you too much of my method of working, you will come to the conclusion that I am a very ordinary individual after all."

"I shall never do that," I answered; "you have brought detection as near an exact science as it ever will be brought in this world."

My companion flushed up with pleasure at my words and the earnest way in which I uttered them. I had already observed that he was as sensitive to flattery on the score of his art as any girl could be of her beauty.

"I'll tell you one other thing," he said. "Patent-leathers and Square-toes came in the same cab, and they walked down the pathway together as friendly as possible—arm-in-arm, in all probability. When they got inside they walked up and down the room—or rather, Patent-leathers stood still while Square-toes walked up and down. I could read all that in the dust, and I could read that as he walked, he grew more and more excited. That is shown by the increased length of his strides. He was talking all the while, and working himself up, no doubt, into a fury. Then the tragedy occurred. I've told you all I know myself, now, for the rest is mere surmise and conjecture. We have a good working basis, however, on which to start. We must hurry up, for I want to go to Hallett's concert, to hear Norman Neruda, this afternoon."

This conversation had occurred while our cab had been threading its way through a long succession of dingy streets and dreary by-ways. In the dingiest and dreariest of them our

driver suddenly came to a stand.

"That's Audley court in there," he said, pointing to a narrow slit in the line of dead-colored brick. "You'll find me here when you come back."

Audley court was not an attractive locality. The narrow passage led us into a quadrangle paved with flags and lined by sordid dwellings. We picked our way among groups of dirty children and through lines of discolored linen until we came to No. 46, the door of which was decorated with a small slip of brass, on which the name Rance was engraved. An inquiry we found that the constable was in bed, and we were shown into a little front parlor, to await his coming.

He appeared presently, looking a little irritable at being disturbed in his slumbers. "I made my report at the office," he said.

Holmes took a half-sovereign from his pocket, and played with it pensively. "We thought that we should like to hear it all from your own lips," he said.

"I shall be most happy to tell you anything I can," the constable answered, with his eyes upon the little golden disk.

"Just let us hear it all in your own way, as it occurred."

Rance sat down on the horse-hair sofa and knitted his brows, as though determined not to omit anything in his narrative.

"I'll tell it you from the beginning," he said. "My time is from ten at night to six in the morning. At eleven there was a light at the White Hart; but that, all was quiet enough on the beat. At one o'clock it began to rain, and I met Harry Murcher—him who has the Holland Grove beat—and we stood together at the corner of Henrietta street—a talkin'. Presently—maybe about two, or a little after—I thought I would take a look round, and see that all was right down the Lauriston road. It was precious dark and lonely, and a soul did I meet! All the way down, though a cab or two went past me, I was a-strollin' down, thinkin' between ourselves how uncommon handy a four of gin hot would be, when suddenly a glint of a light caught my eye in the window of that same house. Now, I knew that them two houses in Lauriston gardens was empty on account of him that owns them, who won't have the drains sealed, though the very last tenant what lived in one of them died o' typhoid fever. I was knocked all in a heap, therefore, at seeing a light in the window, and I suspected as something was wrong. When I got to the door—"

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